

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

PADMAPRIYA ASHOKKUMAR, an
Individual;

Plaintiff,

vs.

MATTHEW DWYER, in his official
capacity as Current Chair of the
Department of Computer Science and
Engineering at the University of
Nebraska-Lincoln; BYRAV
RAMAMURTHY, in his official
capacity as current Computer Science
and Engineering Graduate
Committee Chair at the University of
Nebraska-Lincoln; STEPHEN
REICHENBACH, in his official
capacity as current Computer Science
Graduate Subcommittee Chair; and
JOHN DOE Numbers 1-99,
unidentified members of the
Computer Science and Engineering
Committee and Computer Science
Subcommittee;

Defendants.

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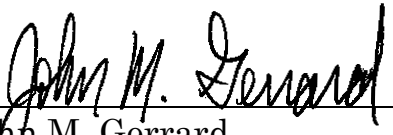
MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

Following the institution of this lawsuit, and particularly after the filing of the Amended Complaint (filing [111](#)) and the Appearance of Counsel (filings [112](#) and [113](#)), a personal matter involving one of my adult children was brought to my attention within the last week that causes me to recuse myself from this case. One of my sons, a senior at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL), advised me that he either intends to apply, or has applied, for acceptance into the Ph.D. in Computer Science program at UNL. Moreover, at least one of the defendants named in the Amended Complaint is either a professor in one of my son's current classes or will be in a decision-making capacity with respect to my adult son's application to the graduate program. I apologize to the parties for being unaware of the possible conflict until the events of the past week.

IT IS ORDERED that I recuse myself from this case and the Clerk shall refer this matter to the Chief Judge for reassignment.

DATED this 13th day of February, 2014.

BY THE COURT:



John M. Gerrard
United States District Judge